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MEETING MINUTES FIRE AND POLICE COMMISSION MEETING July 6, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Responding present to roll call were Commission Chair McCarthy and Commissioner Pedersen. Commissioner O'Shea was absent. Also present was Commission Attorney Jurusik and Fire Chief Mavrogeorge.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

FF Dave Middendorf, FF Eric Biskup, FF Nick Snavelly, FF Eric Mika, FF Mark Wandtke and FF Matt Lemay on behalf of the Union were present for public participation.

OLD BUSINESS:

The Commission moved straight to item 6.(c) on the agenda, which was Fire Lieutenant Promotional Exam and the discussion of the complaint received by the Commission regarding Chief's Points. This complaint was submitted to the BFPC from 6 of the 7 members participating in the promotional exam for Lieutenant after there was a revision made to the Chief's points by Chief Mavrogeorge. The revision increased one of the 7 candidate's score by 0.2 points. Fire Chief Mavrogeorge, as well as all listed under public participation spoke their thoughts on the topic. After all public comments were complete; Commissioner Pedersen as well as Commissioner McCarthy discussed the opinion of the BFPC on the complaint. It was the opinion of the BFPC to keep the original scoring of the Chief's points emailed to the candidates by Chief Mavrogeorge. The points will be reverted back to the original scoring by reducing the candidate's score by 0.2 points to reflect what was originally emailed to the candidates by Chief Mavrogeorge. An amended version of the available scores to date which include: Seniority Points, Chief's Points (Amended), Peer Review and Assessment Center points will be approved at the August meeting and posted in the fire department.

The discussion then moved on to vacancies in the Fire Department. The Final Eligibility List for Firefighter has been approved and due to there being 3 vacancies in the department and only 3 names on the final list, a timeline for another testing process is underway. The 3 candidates on the current list have been scheduled for polygraph exams and background investigations.

The next item of old business was lateral transfer police officer. The BFPC interviewed the only current lateral candidate before the regular meeting was called to order. They will discuss the interview and make a decision before the August meeting as to the status of the candidate.

The final item to discuss was vacancies in the police department. The next 5 candidates on the police eligibility list have completed polygraphs and background investigations and are scheduled for 2nd interviews next week.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Commissioner McCarthy made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pedersen, to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 8, 2022. The motion passed and the minutes were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

The only item under new business was testing timeline for Entry Firefighter Testing. The written test date will be October 8, 2022. Applications will be available on July 26, 2022 through IO Solutions.

INFORMATION ONLY:

Next Meeting: August 3, 2022

Fire: Entry Level Firefighter List (Expires June 23, 2024)

Fire: Captain Promotional List (Expired January 3, 2021- EXHAUSTED)

Fire: Lieutenant Promotional List (Expired November 7, 2021)

Police: Entry Level Police Officer Expires October 6, 2023)

Police: Sergeant Promotional List: (Expires January 6, 2024)

Commission Terms: James O'Shea (Expires May 2024) Thomas McCarthy (Expires April 30, 2023) James Pedersen (Expires April 30, 2023)

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A motion was made by Commissioner McCarthy to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing: Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Promotion and Discipline of Village Employees. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Pedersen and the meeting went into executive session at 5:30pm.

Meeting adjourned to regular session at 6:00pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business to discuss, Commissioner Pedersen made a motion, seconded by Commissioner McCarthy to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm.